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For: **APPARATUS FOR REMOVING AND/OR RECOVERING INK,  
PRINTING MACHINE INCLUDING SUCH APPARATUS, AND  
METHOD FOR SUPPLYING AND/OR RECOVERING INK**

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Sir:

Patentee KABUSHIKI KAISHA ISOWA, as the owner by assignment of the subject U.S. patent no. 7,165,495, files concurrently herewith an Assertion of Entitlement to Small Entity Status, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

No fees for this filing are believed due. Nevertheless, should any fees be now or hereafter due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge all such fees to Deposit Account No. 19-4709. In the event that there are any questions, or should additional information be required, please contact applicants' attorney at the number listed below.

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